MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 14(A)(2)

TO:

Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez

and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE:

FROM:

Murray A. Greenberg

County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution supporting the

Florida Legislature in

codesignating LeJeune Road from Flagler Street to S.W. 8th Street as Rafael L. Diaz-Balart Road

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Commissioner Rebeca Sosa.

County Attorney

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Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez

DATE:

May 23, 2006

and Members, Board of County Commissioners

FROM:

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County Attorney

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Please note any items checked.

	"4-Day Rule" ("3-Day Rule" for committees) applicable if raised
•	6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
	4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
	Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
	Budget required
	Statement of fiscal impact required
	Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation
	Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
	Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)
/	No committee review

Approved	Mayor	Agenda Item No. 14(A)(2)	
Veto		5-23-06	
Override			

RESOLUTION NO.	
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RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE IN CODESIGNATING LEJEUNE ROAD FROM FLAGLER STREET TO SW 8TH STREET AS RAFAEL L. DIAZ-BALART ROAD; AND URGING THE GOVERNOR TO SIGN THIS LEGISLATION INTO LAW

WHEREAS, Rafael L. Diaz-Balart Gutierrez was born in Cuba in 1926 and passed away May 6, 2005; and

WHEREAS, Rafael L. Diaz-Balart was a Cuban politician and served as Majority Leader of the Cuban House of Representatives; and

WHEREAS, Rafael L. Diaz-Balart was elected Senator in 1958, but was unable to take office due to Castro's rise to power; and

WHEREAS, Rafael L. Diaz-Balart, in January 28, 1959, founded "La Rosa Blanca", (The White Rose) the first Anti-Castro organization, in New York City; and

WHEREAS, Rafael L. Diaz-Balart was the father of United States Congressmen Lincoln Diaz-Balart and Mario Diaz-Balart; and

WHEREAS, Rafael L. Diaz-Balart worked in favor of several and diverse national and international organizations, including: Advisor to the President of Costa Rica, 1990-1994; Consul General of Costa Rica in Sao Paulo, Brazil, 1978-1980; Chief of Diplomatic Mission and Chargé d'Affaires of Costa Rica in Paraguay, 1976-1978; Advisor to the President of Zaire, 1975-1976; Counselor, Costa Rican Embassy, Caracas, Venezuela, 1974-1975; Agricultural

Attaché, Costa Rican Embassy, Madrid, Spain, 1968-1974; Ambassador and President of Cuban Economic Assistance Delegation Haiti, 1958; Ambassador and Cuban Delegation Secretary to the Inauguration of President Ruiz Cortinez, Mexico 1952; Member of Parliament and Majority Leader, Cuban House of Representatives, 1954-1958; Under-Secretary of Government, Cuba 1952-1954; Senator-elect (the youngest in Cuba) 1958; Minister of Education-designate by President-elect Andres Rivero Aguero, 1958; and

WHEREAS, Section 334.071, Florida Statutes, provides that the erection of road designation markers on state roads shall be contingent on the appropriate city or county commissioner passing a resolution in support of the particular honorary designation; and

WHEREAS, during the 2006 state legislative session, Representative David Rivera filed an amendment to designate LeJeune Road from Flagler Street to S.W. 8th Street as Rafael L. Diaz-Balart Road; and

WHEREAS, SB 1350 eventually passed the Legislature with this language included in it and is now pending before the Governor,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that:

Section 1. This Board supports the designation of LeJeune Road from Flagler Street to S. W. 8th Street as Rafael L. Diaz-Balart Road.

Section 2. This Board urges the Governor to sign SB 1350, which includes Rafael L. Diaz-Balart Road designation, into law.

Section 3. The Clerk of the Board is directed to send certified copies of this resolution to Governor Jeb Bush, Representative David Rivera, and the Chair and members of the Miami-Dade County State Legislative Delegation.

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The foregoing resolution was sponsored by Commissioner Rebeca Sosa and offered by Commissioner , who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner and upon being put to a vote,

the vote was as follows:

Joe A. Martinez, Chairman Dennis C. Moss, Vice-Chairman

Bruno A. Barreiro Audrey M. Edmonson Sally A. Heyman Dorrin D. Rolle Katy Sorenson

Sen. Javier D. Souto

Jose "Pepe" Diaz

Carlos A. Gimenez Barbara J. Jordan Natacha Seijas

Rebeca Sosa

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 23rd day of May, 2006. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA BY ITS BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By:_	
Ī	Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as to form and legal sufficiency.



Jess McCarty